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SUBJ: USINFO

1. AT WEEKLY THURSDAY PRESS CONFERENCE LAO GOVERNMENT  
SPOKESMAN, IN RESPONDING TO QUESTION ABOUT OCCUPATION  
OF U.S. GOVERNMENT FACILITIES BY PROTEST GROUP, STATED  
THAT WHILE STATUS OF EMBASSY GENERAL SERVICES OFFICE  
AND EMBASSY HOUSING COMPOUND WERE STILL UNDER  
DISCUSSION, THE QUESTION OF THE U.S. INFORMATION  
SERVICE'S STATUS HAD BEEN RESOLVED.

2. SUBSEQUENT TO PRESS CONFERENCE USIS INFORMATION  
OFFICER, LAWRENCE DAKS, ATTEMPTED TO RETURN TO OFFICES  
AND FOUND PROTEST GROUP PRESENT EATING LUNCH IN USIS  
LIBRARY. AFTER ASKING TWICE IN LAO IF HE COULD HAVE  
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ACCESS TO FACILITY, PATHET LAO SOLDIERS APPROACHED

DAKS, THREATENING HIM WITH LOADED WEAPON AND STATING THAT IF HE DID NOT LEAVE HE WOULD BE KILLED.

3. IN LIGHT OF THE STATEMENT MADE BY THE LAO GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN AND SEPARATE ASSURANCES RECEIVED FROM A MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OFFICIAL REGARDING THE STATUS OF USIS, THE EMBASSY IS PLANNING TO PROTEST THIS ACTION.

4. THE OCCUPATION OF U.S. EMBASSY FACILITIES IS NOW IN ITS SIXTH DAY.

5. IN A SEPARATE DEVELOPMENT THE LAO MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS HAS DENIED REQUEST FOR VISIT BY EMBASSY CONSULAR OFFICER, BUT WILL ALLOW A LETTER TO BE SENT TO ROSEMARY CONWAY. MS. CONWAY, A 36 YEAR OLD CHICAGO NATIVE ARRESTED IN VIENTIANE ON JUNE 4, AND BEING HELD ON SPECIFIED CHARGES. THE LAST VISIT BY AN AMERICAN OFFICIAL TO MS. CONWAY TOOK PLACE ON JUNE 11. YESTERDAY A MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OFFICIAL DID AGREE TO FORWARD CLOTHING AND BOOKS TO MS. CONWAY.

DAKS

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